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RESETTING SYSTEM (CMRS) METERS

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1. In enclosure (1) the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) eliminated the requirement to have CMRS non-digital meters examined by the post office provided they are reset at least every six months. CMRS digital meters with a lockout feature only require examination under special circumstances. USPS' examination schedule DOES NOT change DOD's requirement to reset meters quarterly.

- 2. Ensure all mail-metering sites under your cognizance are aware CMRS meters do not have to be examined as long as they are reset quarterly.
- 3. Commands not in compliance with DOD policy with an excessive amount of postage on their CMRS non-digital meters, with or without a lockout feature, must reset the meters before the six-month period is reached. This is necessary to avoid the post office examination schedule. For CMRS digital meters with a lockout feature reset them as soon as possible and return to resetting the meters each quarter.
- 4. Questions on setting of postage on CMRS meters can be directed to Mr. Alan L. Hass, 717-605-5894 or DSN 430-5894.

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MODEL	PSIN
70 LB DROM: PITNEY BOWES MODEL 3700 & 3703, and PENNSYLVANIA MODEL 7501-P	O-869-SS
4 LB FAN; TRINER MODEL 804 8 83	O-804
*20 OZ FAN; TRINER requires only new overlays	O-859-AD
*20 OZ FAN; PITNEY BOWES MODEL 129 requires only new overlays	O-859-BD
*20 OZ FAN; TOLEDO requires only new overlays:	0-850-CC & CD
*20 OZ FAN; PENNSYLVANIA requires only new overlays	O-859-ED

*Note: Special attention should be given to the 20-ounce fan scales. Charts associated with these scales consist of two pieces. The first piece is a metal scale plate identified as 0-859 AA, BB, CC, or E which has weight indications silk screened on it. The second piece is a thin,

clear, plastic, pressure-sensitive overlay identified of O-859-AD, BD, CD, or ED. The overlays have postage rates printed on them, and they will have been applied directly over the weight indications silk screened on the metal plates. All 20-ounce scales currently in service should be this type, and only new plastic overlays (O-859-AD, BD, CD, or ED) should be required. However, if any 20-ounce tangeness are found to contain a chart plate of the single piece design without an overlay (with the rate information as well as weight indication silk screened directly to the plate), identify those scale quantities directly in the space provided.

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POSTAGE EVIDENCING UPDATE

Revised Inspection/Examination Schedule

Effective immediately, the schedule for postage meter inspections by manufacturers and examinations by post offices is revised to reflect changes in technology. In addition, PC-based postage devices have been included, since this form of postage evidencing is now available to mailers. The schedule is based on postage meter and PC-based device security characteristics and levels. All providers have been notified of these changes and are aligning their meter/device inspections according to the security levels in column one of the table shown on the right.

For clarification, an refers to an alternative procedure to physical inspection approved by Postage Technology Management. Examinations under "special circumstances" are initiated by Postage Technology Management when required by unique events. The revised schedule is to be implemented immediately.

Schedule	Postage Evidencing	Devices — Inspection/Examination

Security Level	Meter Attributes	Manufacturer Inspection	U.S. Postal Service Requirements
1	Manually set.	Every six months.	If not reset or examined every three months.
2	CMRS meter, nondigital, without lock-out feature.	Annual.	If not reset within six months.
3	CMRS meter, nondigital, with lock-out feature.	Every two years, or every six months if no setting activity in six months.	If not reset within six months.
4	CMRS digital meter, with lock-out feature.	Every two years, or enhanced inspection process if approved by USPS.	Special circumstances.
5	PC-based postage.	Special circumstances.	Special circumstances.

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